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Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire  
Chief Clerk & Administrator  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100  
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RE: Mark Baker, Complainant/Petitioner v. Duke Energy Progress, LLC,  
Defendant/Respondent  
**Docket No: 2022-155-E**

Dear Ms. Boyd:

The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") submits this letter to provide comments, to clarify the record, in response to Duke Energy Progress, LLC's ("DEP") Answer and Motion to Dismiss filed in Docket No. 2022-155-E.

On May 25, 2022, DEP filed an Answer and Motion to Dismiss the Complaint filed by Mark Baker in this docket. In its Answer, DEP asserts that "a hearing is not necessary in the public interest or for the protection of substantial rights." Additionally, DEP stated that the ORS's lack of participation in this docket supports the above argument. While ORS offers no opinion as to the Complaint at issue in this docket, to clarify the record, ORS believes that there may be times when a hearing is necessary to support the public interest or for the protection of substantial rights.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

  
Donna L. Rhaney

cc: All Parties of Record (via e-mail)  
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